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<b>Applicants:</b>	Clewis <i>et al.</i>	<b>Conf. No.:</b>	7444
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<b>Title:</b>	DIRECTED NON-CYCLIC GRAPH WALKING SYSTEM FOR DATA PROCESSING AND ANALYSIS IN SOFTWARE APPLICATION, SKIPS WALKING OF SUB-NODES OF ENCOUNTERED NODE BY DEACTIVATING GRAPH OBSERVER WITH RESPECT TO SUB-NODES (AS AMENDED)	<b>Docket No.:</b>	CHA920010006US1 (IBMC-0018)

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**AMENDMENT**

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**I. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS:**

This paper is being filed in response to the Office Action dated November 20, 2006.

Please amend the above-referenced patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.